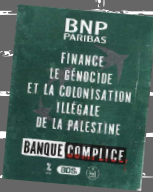


WAR

ENVIRONMENTAL
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BANK COMPLICIT



Every month, research excellence of Pasteur places its funds with BNP Paribas.
Is our money funding wars and fossil fuels?

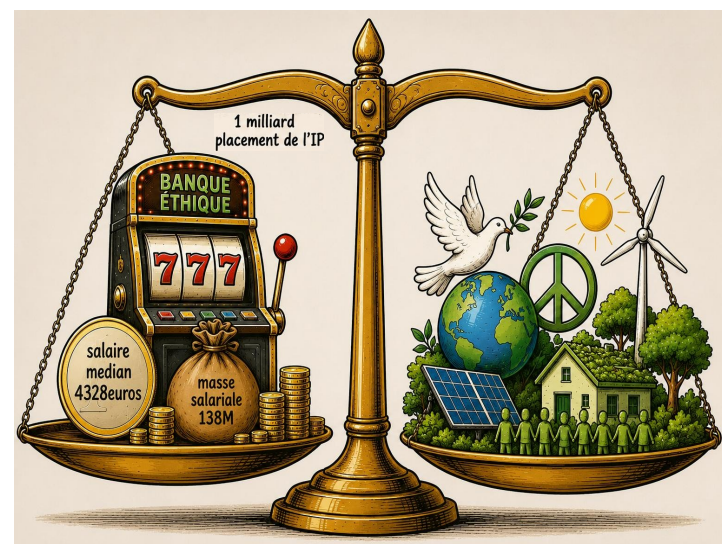
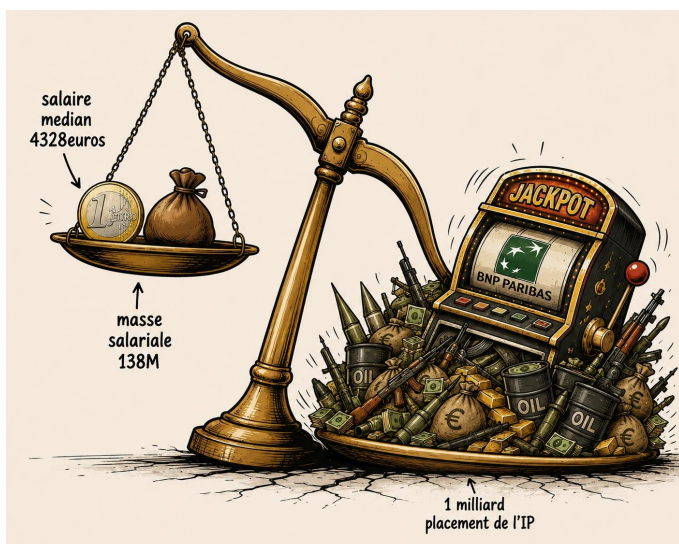
When asked, "Will you change banks?", management responded: "Some Pasteur staff may well have a BNP account. Will you be asking them the same question?"

We urge everyone to make the switch: transfer your current account to an ethical bank, free of charge and within 22 working days.

But to make a real difference, the Institute must follow through and support its employees in this effort.

Current situation: funding war and fossil fuels.

In an ideal world, our funding would be dedicated to peace and sustainable energy.



We are simply requesting a process of reflection and dialogue regarding this choice, consistent with our CSR policy and our ethical commitments.



Institut Pasteur banks with BNP: the best of science, the worst of finance?

BNP and fossils fuels:

€239 billion poured into oil, gas, and coal since the Paris Agreement.

Funding new projects for the world's biggest polluters.

BNP, ICE and the private prison system:

€1.7 billion for GEO Group, a giant US private detention center operated by ICE.

2019: BNP promises to cut ties. 2025: purchase of a large volume of GEO shares following the Trump election.

BNP and the arms industry:

€9.7 billion invested in nuclear weapons in 2025 according to the Don't Bank on the Bomb report, notably in Northrop Grumman, Thales...

€16 billion invested in manufacturers supplying **weapons** to countries that use them **against civilians**: 1st in Europe.

BNP fueling Israeli wars and settlements:

The bank has extended **€41.4 billion** in credit and invested **€28.3 billion** in **companies** that uphold the **occupation of Palestinian territories**.

It maintains ties with Israeli banks that finance settlement construction and land grabs.

Its portfolio includes companies active in the settlements — providing transport, plundering natural resources, and supporting the occupation economy.

Link to our detail
analysis



Faced with these findings, merely "taking the metro to BNP's headquarters" will not be enough [our Deputy Director General, 2026].

We therefore request a common-sense approach: the joint development, with staff representatives, of a charter to govern financial investments. This charter should ensure that our funds are placed with banks that uphold ethical standards and take responsibility on these matters.